GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
LOK SABHA

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Road Construction Projects
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Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has provided approval to various road construction projects in Uttar Pradesh and Maharashtra during each of the last three years;

(b) if so, the name of each project;

(c) the details of amount sanctioned and utilised for each project as on date;

(d) the target set by the Government for completion of each project;

(e) whether any delay in completion of said projects has been notified;

(f) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(g) the steps taken/proposed to be taken to complete the said projects in a time-bound manner?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI PON. RADHAKRISHNAN)

(a) to (d) The details of the projects approved by the Ministry in Uttar Pradesh and Maharashtra during the last three year are given at Annexure-I. These projects are likely to be completed within 24 to 36 months.

(e) to (g) There have been delays in some of the projects mainly due to problems in land acquisition, utility shifting, non-availability of Soil/Aggregates, Poor performance of contractors, Environment/ Forest/Wildlife Clearance, ROB & RUB issue with Railways, Public agitation for additional facilities, Arbitration/contractual disputes with contractors etc. In this regard, regular meetings are held with project developers, State Governments and contractors in Head Quarter as well as in Regional Office. To expedite completion of these projects various steps are also taken which include streamlining of land acquisition & environment clearances, exit for equity investors, premium re-schedulement, close coordination with other Ministries, revamping of dispute resolution mechanism, frequent reviews at various levels etc.